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ENLARGE SWINOUJSCIF COAL-LOADING FACILITIES -- Goteborg, Svensk Sjöfarts Tidning, No 50, 14 Dec 50

The planned bunkering area in Swinoujscie has been put in order and has been serving as a coal-loading area for some time. It was originally intended that a bunkering quay would be built in Swinoujscie, and for this purpose a basin was built and a loading crane transported there. However, as it was very uneconomical for coal ships to stop off at Swinoujscie solely to take on bunker coal, the Poles have sought to utilize Swinoujscie as a coal-loading area also to alleviate the long waiting time now necessary at Szczecin.

The first vessel to pull up to the new loading place was the SS Hanna of Höganäs on 7 October; the second was the SS Brittmari of Lidkoping, which loaded 1,440 tons of coal. Although the loading capacity is approximately 750 tons per day, this will probably be increased as the crane operators and the other personnel become more acquainted with their work.

Coal-loaded barges are moored in a basin, and the vessels tie up outside the basin. Even though the loading takes a relatively long time, it is profitable for vessels to take on coal cargoes at Swincujscie because there is no waiting period before loading starts. This method of loading coal cargoes, of course, can be utilized only so long as there is open water. For that reason, the Poles are planning to run a railroad spur right up to the loading dock itself, so that loading can be accomplished even when ice conditions do not permit the use of the barges.

The Baltica brokerage firm has a representative in Swinoujscie who represents all brokerage firms, and the Baltona shipping firm has a branch there.

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ASSEMBLE POLISH-MADE CRANES AT GDYNIA --- Warsaw, Express Wieczorny, 10 May 50

Assembly of Polish-made cranes assigned for loading bulk materials has been completed on the Slask Wharf in Gdynia.

Many technical improvements have been introduced which permit the cranes to operate faster and consume less power than other cranes of the same type.

GDANSK PORT LAUNCHES THREE REBUILT BOATS -- Dusseldorf, Slowo Polskie, 13 Aug 50

Three rebuilt boats were launched in the Gdansk port on 24 July 1950: the Pilot 3, a pilot boat; the Juhas, a fire-fighting boat; and the Ola II, a motor-boat. The Ola II will be put into service in the Wladyslawcwo port.

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